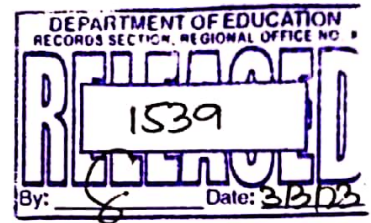




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March 2, 2023

Complying with DepEd Order No. 8, s. 2013,  
this Office issues this Advisory, not for endorsement per DO 28, s. 2001,  
but for the information of DepEd officials,  
personnel/staff, and the concerned public.  
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**INVITATION TO THE YOUTH ESSAY WRITING CONTEST**

This issuance refers to the invitation from the Association for Philippine-China Understanding (APCU) for interested parties to participate in the Youth Essay Writing Contest. The deadline for submission is March 3, at 12:00 p.m.

Participation in this activity shall be voluntary. As such, the participants themselves shall shoulder any registration fees and travel/incidental expenses. Further, their participation shall be subject to the *no-disruption-of-classes policy* stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance therewith*, Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546 (Policy on Contributions), and DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2017 (Policy on Off-Campus Activities).

Attached is a copy of the communication for the specific details.

This Office directs the immediate and wide dissemination of this Advisory.

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
Region I, II, III, IV-A, IV-B, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XIII, CAR,  
and NCR

**FROM :** JOCELYN DR ANDAYA   
Director IV  
Bureau of Curriculum Development

**SUBJECT :** PARTICIPATION TO THE YOUTH ESSAY WRITING  
CONTEST OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR PHILIPPINE-CHINA  
UNDERSTANDING (APCU)

**DATE :** February 27, 2023

To give recognition to the deserving excellent young leaders who share the vision of elevating bilateral ties between the Philippines and China, the **Association for Philippine-China Understanding (APCU)** will be holding a "Youth Essay Writing Contest" with the theme "**Role of Filipino Youth in Promoting Philippine -China Understanding**".

As part of the mechanics of the said contest, the judges will be selecting eleven (11) winners who will join the entourage of Former President and Senior Deputy Speaker Gloria M. Arroyo in her official travel to China on March 31 to April 4, 2023. The round-trip air ticket from Manila to China as well as the accommodation, food, and stipend allowance will be provided. The winning pieces will also be published in the APCU website and its social media platforms.

The target participants for this contest are SPFL-Chinese Mandarin teachers/young professionals 18-35 years old. Please refer to the essay writing contest guidelines in **Annex A**. Interested participants are requested to submit their unpublished essays in the aforementioned contest from February 13 - March 3, 2023, at 12 noon. Registration through this link should also be accomplished: [tinyurl.com/youthessaywritingcontest](https://tinyurl.com/youthessaywritingcontest) for all interested participants.

Entries shall be submitted through email at [apcu1974@gmail.com](mailto:apcu1974@gmail.com) or [apcusecretariat@apcu.org.ph](mailto:apcusecretariat@apcu.org.ph). Questions may be coursed through APCU through 09480079489.

Should you have further queries or clarifications you may contact **Dr. Mikael Sandino Andrey**, SPFL Focal Person, or **Dr. Riza C. Gusano**, SPFL Chinese Mandarin Focal Person, through these email addresses [mikaelsandino.andrey@deped.gov.ph](mailto:mikaelsandino.andrey@deped.gov.ph) / [riza.gusano@deped.gov.ph](mailto:riza.gusano@deped.gov.ph) or this number (02) 8632 0170.

Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is desired.